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Taking the Dath of Office

On January 4, Mayor Tom Dolan along with Scott Cowdell, Bryant Anderson and Steve Smith from the Sandy City Council took the oath of office. Judge Susan Weidauer administered the oath for all elected officials.



Mayor Tom Dolan was sworn in to serve his fifth term as the mayor of Sandy.



Scott Cowdell, running unopposed, was elected to serve his sixth term on the City Council representing District 1.



Bryant Anderson, running unopposed, was elected to serve his seventh term on the City Council representing District 3.



Steve Smith was elected to serve his second term on the City Council representing one of the city's at-large positions.

Message from Mayor Dolan

As I start a new term of office, I want to take this opportunity to thank you for letting me serve you as your mayor. I think I speak for everyone at City Hall when I say that we truly want to run this city as you want it ran. We like to hear from you and use a variety of methods to do so.

One method that has served us well over the years is the annual survey conducted by Dan Jones and Associates. We started doing this survey in 1995. At that time, you overwhelmingly saw growth as the major issue facing Sandy. While growth is still a concern, it is only mentioned by a third as many people. The issue that emerged in our last survey centered on city finances and taxes. I am pleased to report that Sandy has grown into a very good city and we have been able to do so in a financially responsible way.

As we have grown we have added many amenities that a first class city ought to have. For example, we have added numerous parks and recreation offerings. Most recently, we opened an urban fishery adjacent to the Jordan River. This is a great place for families to enjoy the outdoors.

We have also added fire stations and paramedic services so that now over 90 percent of you live within a five-minute response time from a station. Of those surveyed, an amazing 99 percent say they feel safe living in Sandy and in their neighborhood. This is the highest score we have ever received.

Our transportation system has more than kept up with our growth. Our ratings have steadily improved for snow removal and surface maintenance on city streets. With state and federal help, we have improved our major roadways including State Street. We are currently making major improvements to 13th East, 7th East and the 114th South interchange which should be completed this year.

Our growth has included many entertainment opportunities including Jordan Commons, the expo center, the Sandy Amphitheater and Rio Tinto Stadium. Seventy-nine percent of those surveyed, rated the entertainment options in Sandy as "good" or "excellent." Another new venue is The Living Planet Aquarium. Sixty-two percent consider the aquarium as a "good" or "great" asset for our community. In March, the aquarium will be adding a penguin exhibit. We are exploring ways that we might help the aquarium expand and locate in our central business district.

We have also added and continue to add places to shop and dine. Shopping and dining in Sandy is not only convenient but it keeps your tax dollars here to fund the city services you enjoy. It also helps establish Sandy as a regional commercial center which forms the core of our economic engine.

By building our economic engine and through careful management, we have been able to keep up with growth without city government becoming overgrown. The Dan Jones survey shows that you still have a hard time believing it, but we really do have the lowest municipal property tax rate for any city our size in Utah.

As mentioned earlier, those surveyed



expressed growing concern about city finances, rightfully so. The economy has slowed and with it the revenue that we need to serve you has also declined. Let me reassure you that we will do our best to manage through this troubled economy. We have tightened our belts in all city departments. We recently eliminated seven full-time positions through attrition. We also cut back on the seasonal help that we hire each summer. This is in addition to cuts we've made in supplies, equipment, training and other areas. This strains our ability to serve you but we commit to look for efficiencies and make every effort to serve you in the best way that we can.

Again, thank you for the opportunity to be your mayor. It has been a pleasure to serve you and be a part of the excellent city we have become. We are sobered by the economy but feel we are in a strong position to move forward with confidence.



MAYOR: Tom Dolan

CITY COUNCIL:

Scott Cowdell (Dist. 1) Dennis Tenney (Dist. 2) Bryant Anderson (Dist. 3)

Chris McCandless (Dist. 4) Steve Fairbanks (At-Large) Linda Martinez-Saville (At-Large) Steve Smith (At-Large)

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER:

Council Office801-568-7141

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CITY PHONE NUMBERS	:
Alta Canyon Recreation	1
Center	801-568-4600
Amphitheater	801-568-ARTS
Community Events	801-568-6097
Fire Dept. Admin	801-568-2930
General Information	801-568-7100
Job Hotline	801-561-7009
Parks and Rec	801-568-2900
Planning and	
Zoning	801-568-7256
Police Information	
Public Utilities	801-568-7280
(Water, Storm Water)	
Public Works	801-568-2999
(Streets, Transportation, E	ngineering, Waste)
River Oaks Golf	
Course	
Utility Billing	801-568-7110
Sandy Justice Court	.801-568-7160

Street Lights801-352-4400

2010 Census: 10 Questions, 10 Minutes to Complete



Beginning in March, the 2010 Census survey forms will be mailed to every household in the United States. It contains only 10 questions and can be completed in 10 minutes.

Beginning in March, census forms will be mailed to every household in the United States. The goal of the 2010 Census is to count all residents living in the United States on April 1, 2010. With one of the shortest questionnaires in history, containing only 10 questions, the survey asks for: name, gender, age, race, ethnicity, relationship, and whether you own or rent your home. The census population totals determine which states gain or lose representation in Congress and helps allocate important resources for your community like new hospitals or schools. For information about the 2010 Census or to see an example of the survey, visit the website at www.2010.census.gov.

Key Dates to remember:

- March 2010 forms are mailed
- April 1, 2010 deadline for sending forms back in the
 mail
- April July 2010 Census workers visit homes that did not return a form by mail
- December 2010 Census information will be delivered to the president.

Sandy Urban Fishery Wins Award for Design

The design for the Sandy Urban Fishery was awarded the Engineering Excellence award by the American Council of Engineering Companies of Utah. The idea for the park came from a partnership with Psomas Engineering Firm and the Sandy Parks & Recreation Department in an effort to improve the city's urban ecology while supporting outdoor recreation. The fishery allows Salt Lake Valley residents the opportunity to enjoy outdoor activities without having to drive to a rural location.

The Sandy Urban Fishery was opened in September of 2009 and is stocked with bluegill, trout, small mouth bass and catfish by the Utah State Division of Wildlife Resources. The park was constructed on a wetland habitat that was completely preserved and implemented into the design. Other amenities at the park include a playground, pavilion, restrooms and a connection to the Jordan River Parkway Trail.

Barefoot in the Park

The Sandy Arts Guild presents Neil Simon's witty play "Barefoot in the Park" February 19, 20, 22, 26, 27 and March 1 at 7:30 p.m. in the Chamber Theater inside Sandy City Hall's City Council chambers, 10000 S. Centennial Pkwy.

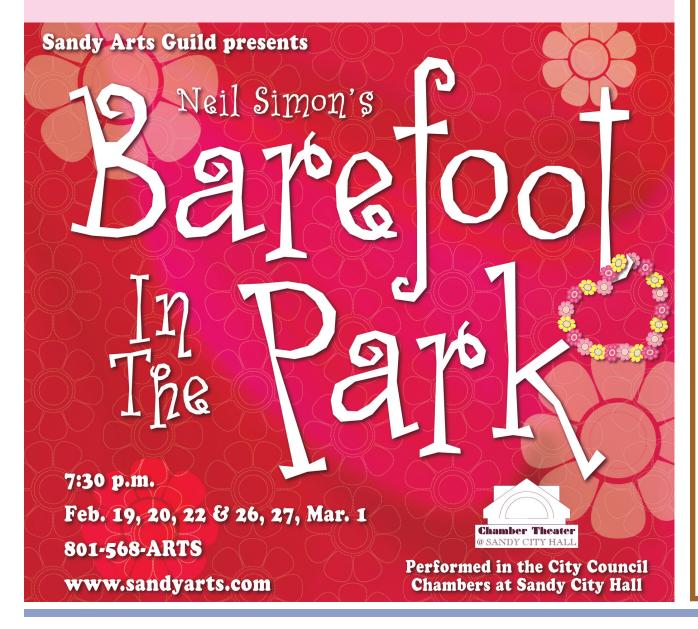
Ticket prices are:

\$10 for adults

\$5 for children or groups of 10 or more

\$3 for students with valid ID.

Tickets can be purchased by calling 801-568-ARTS (2787) or at Sandy City Hall room #310. Directed by Laura Bedore Heugly with set design by Sonja Ervin."





ANNIVERSARY

Sandy Arts Guild Celebrating 25 Year Anniversary

The Sandy Arts Guild is celebrating its 25th year of providing cultural and artistic programs to the residents of Sandy and the South Valley. Over the years the Sandy Arts Guild has become one of the largest arts councils in Utah with many diverse programs encompassing the performing arts and visual arts including an elementary school outreach program.

The Sandy Arts Guild programs include:

- $\bullet \ \ Four \ musical/theater \ productions$
- **Children's theater** with an education outreach program
- Sandy Amphitheater summer season
- Free-For-All Concert Series
- Elementary School Art Show produced with Canyons School District
- Sandy Art Show a professional, juried art show
- Sandy Arts Guild Showcase
- Dinner Theater
- Interfaith Music Festival

If you are interested in becoming a volunteer with the Sandy Arts Guild or at the Sandy Amphitheater, please call Karla Marsden at 801-568-6068.





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Volunteering: A Community in Action

This is part of a series of articles about volunteer opportunities in Sandy. If you would like more information about volunteer opportunities in Sandy, contact Korban Lee at 801-568-7156 or visit www.sandy.utah.gov/volunteer.

The Sandy Police Department offers a variety of ways to give back to your community through volunteering. Here are a few of the programs in place for residents to assist the Sandy Police Department.

Explorer Post 9550 Program

The Explorer Program offers youth (between the ages of 14 and 21) the opportunity to experience law enforcement first hand. The intent of the program is to educate and involve youth in police operations, to interest them in possible law enforcement careers, and to build a mutual understanding between the police and the youth in the community.

The duties of the Explorer include traffic and crowd control at special events, crime prevention events, found bike pick-ups, report writing, assisting with missing children, fingerprinting, first aid, clerical assistance, crime lab internships and a ride-a-long program. Please call 801-568-7200 for more information about Sandy's Explorer Program.



Volunteer in Police Service

The Volunteer in Police Service (VIPS) began to provide assistance to the Sandy Police Department. VIPS volunteers are highly trained and help assist the police department by report-

ing suspicious activity to patrol officers. Volunteers are trained more than 60 hours and are asked to work a minimum of eight hours per month. For more information, please call Amy Bryant at 801-568-7200.

Neighborhood Watch

Neighborhood Watch is one of the oldest and best-known crime prevention concepts in the United States. It continues to be an effective way for neighborhoods to bond together to help one another remain safe and to help be the eyes and ears for the police department. Many areas throughout Sandy have active Neighborhood Watch groups and many more are in need of willing volunteers to help with coordination efforts. If you are interested, please contact the Sandy Police Department at 801-568-7200 or visit us online at www.sandy.utah.gov.

Slim Down & Shape Up 2010



Healthy Sandy is once again encouraging residents to Slim Down and Shape Up this spring with the Slim Down/Shape Up 2010 program. Slim Down Sandy this year will be expanded to encourage everyone in Sandy to eat better, exercise, lose any unneeded weight, and maintain an overall healthier lifestyle. The program will include health tips, lectures, organized walks, and prizes and incentives for goal achievement. Mark your calendars. Registration begins March 20 and the program will run from April 3 through June 12. Watch for more information in the city newsletter or at www.sandy.utah.gov/slimdown.

700 East Construction **Begins**



Construction along 700 East has begun that will include improvements from Carnation Drive to 11400 South and the 12300 South intersection. The goal of the construction is to improve roadway safety and flow of traffic for residents, businesses and commuters. Project improvements include: additional traffic lanes, bicycle lanes, shoulders, sidewalks, raised medians, a continuous turn lane between intersections and retaining walls. The construction will continue into the fall of 2010.

An open house to introduce the contractor on the project is being held on February 3 from 4 until 7 p.m. at Alta View Elementary Auditorium (10333 South Crocus St.). The purpose of the meeting is to allow the public to learn about the construction project and express any concerns. Project representatives will be on-site to answer questions. To be included on an email update list, or if you have further questions, please visit www.udot.utah.gov/700east, or contact Amalia at 801-266-7003 or 700east@utah.gov.

Sandy Fire Department Asks for Help from Residents to Clear **Snow from Fire Hydrants**



The Sandy Fire Department is asking for your help to clear snow from hydrants in your neighborhood to ensure the quickest response times possible.

The Sandy Fire Department is asking for your help to ensure response times to fires remain as quick as possible. Time is of the essence when a structure is on fire and someone is in need of assistance. Hydrants are located in every neighborhood in Sandy and delays can come when hydrants are blocked by snow or other debris.

Please take the time to help clear fire hydrants in your neighborhood. It may only take a moment of your time but may mean life or death in the event of a fire.

If you see a hydrant that needs attention, and you are unable to clear it, please call the Sandy Fire Department at 801-568-2930.

Home Occupation Business Licenses Due by March 1

if returned after this date.

need a license?

If you work from your home of their computer. and are not an employee of a order to obtain a business license of Commerce, you do not need to

All currently licensed home- or home occupation license, the visit the "OneStop" website. their business license. These appliate at www.business.utah.gov/ web site at www.sandy.utah.gov. cations along with fees are due by registration. Individuals or busi-

licensed business you are required number and have registered your please call 801-568-7252 or email to obtain a business license. In business with the Utah Department buslic@sandy.utah.gov.

based businesses in Sandy will State of Utah and Sandy have cre- Instead, simply download a license soon be receiving a notice to renew ated the on-line "OneStop" web-application directly from the city's

Once either form is completed March 31. Late fees will be added nesses can register a business and signed, please return them name, obtain sales tax ID numbers, to the Business License office How do you know if you withholding numbers and license located in Sandy City Hall, Suite applications from the convenience 210. If you have questions related to your license renewal or filing a If you already have a tax ID new business license application,

Calendar of Events

January 29 & 30	25th Annual Snowball Softball Tournament	801-568-2900
February 2	City Council 7 p.m.	801-568-7100
February 4	Planning Commission 6:15 p.m.	801-568-7256
February 9	City Council 7 p.m.	801-568-7100
February 11	Local Emergency Planning Committee 1:30 p.m.	801-568-7279
February 11	Citizen Corps Council 7 p.m.	801-568-7279
February 16	City Council 7 p.m.	801-568-7100
February 18	Planning Commission 6:15 p.m.	801-568-7256
February 19, 20, 22,	"Barefoot in the Park," Chamber Theater,	
26, 27 and March 1	Sandy City Hall	801-568-ARTS (2787)
February 23	City Council 7 p.m.	801-568-7100

440 East 8680 South • Sandy, Utah 84070 • 801-568-2900 www.sandy.utah.gov/parks

Registration Information

ONLINE REGISTRATION: www.sandy.utah.gov/parks (available for most sports and programs) IN PERSON: Sandy Parks & Recreation • Monday-Friday 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.



To our Valued Citizens/Customers:

Thank you for choosing Sandy Parks & Recreation as your place to recreate for your family activities. We look forward to serving you and your family in 2010 through one of our many quality recreation amenities that include: 32 city-owned parks, River Oaks Golf Course, Alta Canyon Recreation Center or through one of our many recreation programs. Please feel free to call us anytime at 801-568-2900 with any suggestions or questions you may have or visit us online at our new and improved website at www.sandy.utah.gov/parks.

Winter Tree Care

By Mike Marett, Urban Forester for Sandy Parks & Recreation

Now is the time to start thinking about preparing your trees for spring. Even though there is snow on the ground, a lot of important needs can be addressed.

Late winter, when your trees are dormant is a great time to prune your trees, before the warm weather returns and buds begin to appear. Pruning in the winter also means less debris since there are no leaves on the trees. Winter is also a great time to have large trees trimmed and larger, unwanted trees removed.

Spraying trees with dormant oil should occur in the spring as the buds are about to appear. This is important to prevent infestations in fruit trees and can be done as early as late February, depending on weather. Be sure to spray all areas of the tree, including the trunk. This is especially important on pine species in parts of Sandy which may be heavily infested by Black Pine Scale.

More information regarding trees including types of trees to plant and more tips on pruning and trimming is available on our website at www.sandy.utah.gov/trees. Please feel free to contact us at 801-568-2900 with any questions.

RECREATION

Registration for all Spring Sports began January 4, 2010.

Sport	Age	Cost	Early Registration Deadline	Regular Registration Deadline	
Soccer	Preschool*-9th Grade	\$42 - \$60	February 4	February 18	
Boys Baseball	7-12 years old	\$43 - \$63	February 24	March 3	
Girls Softball	7-18 years old	\$42 - \$56	February 24	March 3	
* Must be 4 years old by September 1, 2009					

Adult Softball

Registration Dates: Returning 2009 summer and fall teams

January 4-March 3, 2010

New Teams: March 10-until full

Cost: \$440 per team

Season Begins: The week of April 19, 2010

Game Locations: Crescent Park, Bicentennial Park, & Quarry Bend Park

Start Smart Classes

Must be three or older by first day of class!

Start Smart is a great program for parents to spend time with their children and help prepare them for future participation in youth sports. All classes are taught in a safe, non-competitive atmosphere to help your child build confidence and most importantly, have fun! Parents are required to attend and participate at each class. Registration is ongoing or until classes fill. Registration includes: instructor, t-shirt, award and equipment usage. All classes are held at the Sandy Parks Recreation building, located at 440 East 8680 South.

Cost of each session: \$30 Ages: 3-5 years old

Multi Sports Skill Development

This program helps parents and children focus on general athletic skills including: dribbling, throwing, catching, kicking, batting and agility.

Session 1: March 2, 9, 23, 30, April 6, 13

Day: Tuesday

Time: 7 p.m.-7:45 p.m.

Session 2: March 3, 10, 17, 24, 31, April 7

Day: Wednesday

Time: 6 p.m.-6:45 p.m.

Session 3: March 4, 11, 18, 25, April 1, 8

Day: Thursday **Time:** 6 p.m.-6:45 p.m.

Soccer

Program helps parents teach the basics of soccer, including: kicking, dribbling, trapping, throw-ins and agility.

 Session 1: March 2, 9, 23, 30, April 6, 13

 Day: Tuesday
 Time: 6 p.m.-6:45 p.m.

 Session 2: March 4, 11, 18, 25, April 1, 8

 Day: Thursday
 Time: 7 p.m.-7:45 p.m.

Baseball/Softball

This introductory program prepares children for organized baseball and softball. Parents teach their child throwing, catching, batting, running and agility.

Session 1: March 3, 10, 17, 24, 31, April 7 **Day:** Wednesday **Time:** 7 p.m.-7:45 p.m.

Alta Canyon Sports Center 9565 So. Highland Drive Sandy, Utah • 801-568-4600



Before and After School Program

Alta Canyon Sports Center is offering state-licensed before and after school care for children grades 1-6. The program offers children arts and crafts, theme weeks and weekly field trips throughout the school year. Parents may drop off their children as early as 7:10 a.m. and pick them up prior to 6 p.m. Transportation to and from school, homework time and a daily snack are included. Pre-registration with the youth program supervisor is required by calling 801-568-4613. Please note: the Before and After School Program follows the Canyons School District calendar.

Cost: Registration Fee (non-refundable) \$50 Members: \$236/month Non-members: \$263/month

Pre-School Program

Alta Canyon Sports Center is offering children ages 3-5 a preschool program. The program offers children the chance to interact and learn with others while having fun. The curriculum includes: language, math, science, art, music and movement. Large and small motor skills are also taught through physical education. Register early to reserve your spot. For more information, please contact our youth programs coordinator at 801-568-4613.

Cost: Registration Fee (non-refundable) \$25

Member: \$105/month

Fitness Classes

Alta Canyon Sports Center offers a wide variety of aerobic classes for every person. We offer Zumba, Yoga, Spin, Power Pump, Pilates and much more. A full description and schedule of all fitness classes can be found at www.sandy.utah.gov or by calling 801-568-4600.

Cost per class	A+ Membership (unlimited)	12-Punch Card
\$5	\$273	\$45
\$6.25	\$328	\$55
\$4	\$258	\$35
	\$5 \$6.25	\$6.25 \$328

River Oaks Golf 9300 So. Riverside Dr. Sandy, Utah • 801-568-4653



<u>Virtual Golf Simulator</u>

Come play some of the most picturesque golf courses on our indoor golf simulator. Participants can choose between 9 or 18 holes and keep their skills honed during the winter. The simulator shows ball flight and distance. Prices are \$10 for 18 holes and \$6 for 9 holes.

Heated Bay on the North Driving Range

The north driving range offers a full heated bay during those long winter months. The range is located off of 9000 South at 891 West and is one of the best practice facilities in the state. A bucket of balls starts at only \$6. Other services available include: golf instruction, custom club-fitting, club repair and adjustment products and services.

Please call 801-568-4653 for more information or to schedule an appointment.